

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

On October 17, 2018, the Department of Justice lodged a Consent Decree agreed to with defendant Exxon Mobil Corporation (“ExxonMobil”) in the United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia. The Consent Decree resolves the United States’ claims under Sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (“CERCLA”), 42 U.S.C. 9606 and 9607, for the performance of response actions and for payment of response costs incurred in connection with the release of hazardous substances at the Sharon Steel Corp/Fairmont Coke Works Superfund Site, located in Fairmont, West Virginia. The Consent Decree also resolves related claims brought by the State of West Virginia, through the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection. The Complaint filed concurrently with the Consent Decree alleges that ExxonMobil, through a predecessor company, owned and operated a production facility at the Site that processed coal to produce coke. The by-products produced from the coke-making process included coal tar, phenol, ammonium sulfate, benzene, toluene, and xylene. The production waste was disposed of in on-site landfills, sludge ponds, and waste piles. The proposed Consent Decree obligates Exxon to pay for all future EPA and WVDEP response cost, and reimburse \$250,000 of the United States’ past response costs. ExxonMobil will perform the work at the Site pursuant to the proposed Consent Decree.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States of America, et al v. Exxon Mobil Corporation*, Civil Action No. 1:18-cv-00195 (N.D. W.Va.), DOJ number 90-11-3-06663/2. All comments must be submitted no later than 30 days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

To submit comments:	Send them to:
By email	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov.

To submit comments:	Send them to:
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Under Section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), a commenter may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area.

During the public comment period, the Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the Consent Decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$59.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury. For a paper copy without the exhibits and signature pages, the cost is \$10.50.

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection Activities; Proposed eComments Requested; Revision of a Currently Approved Collection: 2018–2020 Survey of State Criminal History Information Systems (SSCHIS)

AGENCY: Bureau of Justice Statistics, Department of Justice.

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Statistics, will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until December 31, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have additional comments especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection

instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Devon Adams, Supervisory Program Manager, Bureau of Justice Statistics, 810 Seventh Street NW, Washington, DC 20531 (email: devon.adams@ojp.usdoj.gov; telephone: (202-305-0765).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Evaluate whether and if so how the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a currently collection approved collection.

(2) *The Title of the Form/Collection:* 2018–2020 Survey of State Criminal History Information Systems (SSCHIS).

(3) *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:*

The form number is N/A. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Bureau of Justice Statistics, in the Office of Justice Programs.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Respondents are state government agencies, primarily state criminal history record repositories. The SSCHIS report, the most comprehensive data available on the collection and maintenance of information by state criminal history record systems, describes the status of such systems and record repositories on a biennial basis. Data collected from state record